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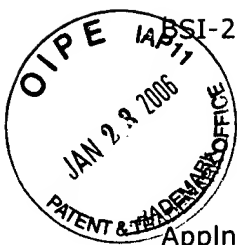
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Applicant: George Goicoechea et al.  
Filed: June 5, 1995  
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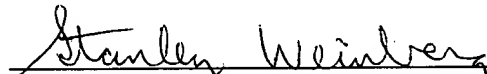
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Applicants believe that *ex parte* prosecution remains suspended pending the outcome of the review by the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia of Interference No. 104,192, which involves related Application No. 08/461,402.

Applicants would appreciate a statement of the current status of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

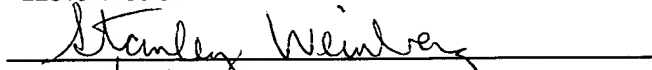
  
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